

### What's in a Name?

# And are we talking about a revolution?

# Sustainable Remediation or Green Remediation

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# **Outline**



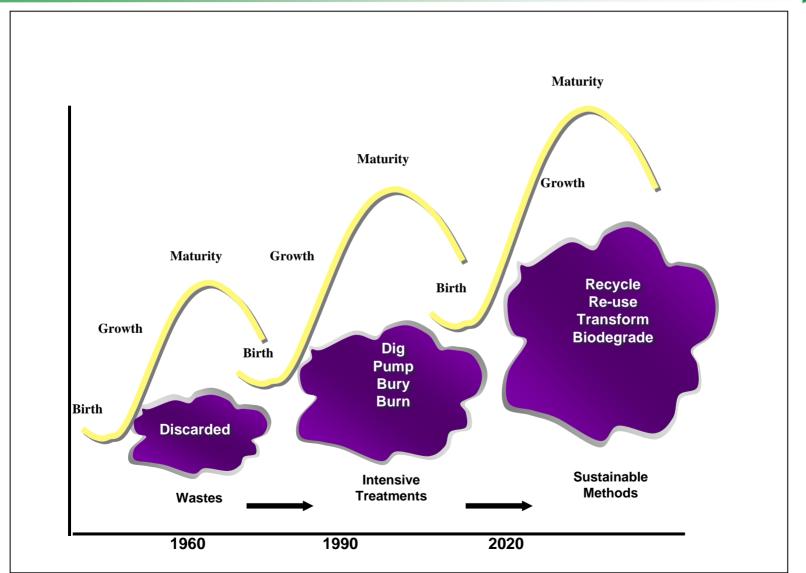
- Definitions and issues
- Development of SURF
- Metrics
- Concurrent events in 'sustainable' remediation
- Possible future directions and efforts

## **ON THE HORIZON**



- Carbon cap and trading
- Potential for required reporting of remediation system emissions and mandated elements (energy efficiency e.g.)
- "Green Cleanup Certification"

## **Evolution of Thinking about Waste and Cleanups\***



## **Definitions and Issues**



- Green (remediation)
- Sustainable (remediation)
  - Aid decision-making
- Improved definition applying sustainability concepts to remediation
- Metrics and efficiencies what and where; parameters and boundaries (time and space)
- Who decides?
- Regulatory requirements?

## **SUstainable Remediation Forum**



- Started November 2006
- Modeled on RTDF; quarterly meetings
- Individuals from variety of disciplines + employment
  - DuPont, BP, Shell, Chevron, EPA HQ, EPA Regions 3, 6, 9, DTSC,
     State of Delaware, CH2M Hill, EarthTech, ERM, GSI, GeoSyntec, DoD
     Air Force, Army, Navy, DOE
- Consensus-based
- Collaborations UK, US Federal and regional/local govt

## **SUstainble Remediation Forum**



- Sweat-equity Work Products White Paper; analyses of remediation technologies
- Education and outreach presentations
- Issues growing pains, metrics, identity, governance
- Steering committee representative of membership

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# **White Paper**



- Introduction
- Current Status
  - Programs in N. America and Europe
- Concepts and Practices
  - Site Assessment
  - Metrics
  - Performance Monitoring
- A Vision
  - Regulatory Aspects
  - Market Forces
- Impediments and Barriers
  - Social
  - Technical
  - Economic
  - Regulatory/Legal
- Case Studies

## **Metrics**



- Quantitative
  - Carbon calculators ---- PLUS ----
- Qualitative
  - Checklists/thumbs up-down
- Hybrid
  - Scored checklists

- Tiered
- Life Cycle Approach

# **Carbon Footprint Assessment (Activity Totals By Task)**

Activity totals	Units	Total Resources Required for Activity	Units	Total CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions (Pounds)
Task Total - task 1 - Gr	oundwater Monitoring			
1527.4	light miles	72.63	gallons of gasoline	1,421
1903.5	kW hours	1,903.50	kW hours	2,039
	Pounds of CO <sub>2</sub> Task 1			3,460
Task Total - task 2 - Re	emediation			
180.0	light miles	8.56	gallons of gasoline	167
120	heavy miles	12.00	gallons of diesel	269
24	light equipment hours	13.20	gallons of gasoline	258
	Pounds of CO <sub>2</sub> Task 2			694
Task Total - task 3 - Re	porting			
720	kW hours	720.00	kW hours	771
36	Ccf natural gas consumption	36.00	Ccf	434
	Pounds of CO <sub>2</sub> Task 3			1,205
Task Total - task 4 - Ad	Iditional Activities			
0.0	light miles	0.00	gallons of gasoline	0
0	heavy miles	0.00	gallons of diesel	0
0	heavy machine hours	0.00	gallons of diesel	0
	Pounds of CO <sub>2</sub> Task 4			0

# **Carbon Footprint Assessment Summary**

Impacted Area (Acres)	Hydrocarbon Present (lbs)	Equivalent vol. of gasoline (gal)	Total CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions to Close Site (Pounds)	Total CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions to Close Site (Tons)	Efficiency (lbs hydrocarbon present/lbs CO <sub>2</sub> emitted)
0.36	0.05	0.06	6,581	3.3	0.00001
1.24	0.18	0.62	6,820	3.4	0.00003
0.34	0.23	0.96	6,133	3.1	0.00004
0.23	0.30	0.31	3,668	1.8	0.00008
0.57	0.70	0.64	5,324	2.7	0.00013
0.78	0.77	0.68	2,157	1.1	0.00036
2.54	2.33	3.65	3,688	1.8	0.00063
2.66	1.09	1.37	1,587	0.8	0.00069
1.61	7.36	8.88	5,359	2.7	0.00137
5.39	8.80	7.59	5,147	2.6	0.00171
3.23	261.79	326.79	10,410	5.2	0.02515

## **DuPont/URS Spreadsheet Tool**

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	Parameters	ZVI-Clay In-Situ Treatment	Excavation & Off- Site Disposal	Ex-Situ Thermal Desorption	Soil Vapor Extraction	Capping
Tons of CO <sub>2</sub> Equivalents		85	252	586	306	21
Energy Usage (kWh)		308,103	911,883	2,348,094	700,999	113,287
Occupational Risk						
	Exposure Hours	3,562	4,364	5,482	3,952	612
	Mileage	10,942	109,815	15,662	16,742	4,645
Resource Usage		·		·	·	
	Potable Water (gal)	0	0	0	0	0
	Groundwater (gal)	130,000	0	0	0	0
	Soil (ton)	200	3,400	400	170	1,200
	Landfill Space (acre-ft))	0	2	0	0	0
	Land (Acre)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
	Air	0	0	0	0	0
Local						
	Dust Generation	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
	Noise Level	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Moderate
	Traffic Congestion	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Moderate
Consumables						
	Gasoline (gal)	512	249	820	1,342	118
	Diesel (gal)	6,155	19,346	7,084	1,719	987
	PVC (If)	0	0	0	1,850	0
	Steel Wells (If)	0	0	0	15	0
	HDPE (sf)	0	0	0	0	7,800
	Carbon (ton)	0	0	0	0	0
	Cement (ton)	0	0	0	0	0
	Concrete (ton)	0	0	0	5	0
	ZVI (ton)	70	0	0	0	0
	Bentonite (ton)	50	0	0	0	0
	Kiln Dust (ton)	200	0	0	0	0
	Asphalt (ton)	200	0	0	170	0
	Grid Energy (kWh)	0	0	17,332	542,388	0
	Propane (lbs)	0	0	319,762	0	0 12

# **Screening Environmental Parameters**



#### **IMPACTS or DEBITS**

Parameter	CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	VOC emissions	Land Usage/Time	Water Usage
Technology				
S/S with pumping	Y	Y	Y	Y
S/S without pumping	Y	Y	Y	N
Incineration On site	YY	N	N	N
Incineration Off site	YY	N	N	N

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# **Additional Sustainability Parameters**



	Occupational Exposure	Mileage	Activity Risk	Community – noise, dust, traffic
S/S in situ, with pumping	Y	N	Y	N
S/S on site, without pumping	Y	N	Y	N
On site Incineration	Y	N	Y	Y
Off site Incineration	Y	Y	Y	Y

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#### **INPUT DATA**

Indicator ID	ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECT	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Option 5	Weight
10	Soil Quality		II .				
ENV-1	Soil Quality Improvement	0	0	33	0	66	1
	Sediment Quality	<u> </u>		00			
ENV-2	Sediment Quality Improvement	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2144 2	Water	1471	1 4/ (	147 (	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1 1	1473
ENV-3	Groundwater Quality Improvement	0	33	66	33	66	2
ENV-4	Free Product Removal	33	33	100	33	66	3
ENV-5		0	0	50	50	50	1
ENV-6	Surface Water Quality Improvement	100	100	50	100	0	1
EIVV-6	Responsible Water Consumption	100	100	30	100		<u> </u>
	Ecosystem and Drinking Water Supply		1	1		1	
ENV-7	Wildlife and Flora Conservation	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
ENV-8	Drinking Water Supply Conservation	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
ENV-9	Off-site Migration Prevention	0	50	100	50	50	3
LI44-9	Atmosphere		30	100	30	30	
ENV-10	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	100	50	0	50	100	1
EINV-10		100	50	U	30	100	<u> </u>
<b></b>	Consumed Energy	100	100	50	100	150	
ENV-11	Energy Conservation	100	100	50	100	150	3
<b></b>	Residual Matter	400		F .	F .	T 50	
ENV-12	Solid Residual Matter Management	100	0	50	50	50	1
ENV-13	Site Contaminant Management	100	100	100	100	100	1
ENV-14	Hazardous Waste Management	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Additional Indicators						
ENV-15	L		<b> </b>				
ENV-16							
	SOCIAL ASPECT	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Option 5	Weight
	Health and Safaty						
SOC-1	Health and Safety	100	100	100	100	100	4
	Local Resident Safety and Quality of Life	100 150	100 150	100 150	100 150	100 150	1
SOC-2	Worker Safety	150	150	150	150	150	3
SOC-3	Impact on Community	0		66			
	Limited Duration of Work	0	0	66	0	0	1
SOC-4 SOC-5	Benefits for CN and Subcontractor Staff	0	0	50	0	50	1
300-3	Beneficial Use for the Local Community	<u> </u>	U	0	0	0	
	Equity						
SOC-6	Employee Skill Development	0	50	100	50	50	1
SOC-7	Local Job Creation and Diversity	0	50	50	50	50	1
	Corporate Image						
SOC-8	Competitive Advantage through Innovation	50	50	100	50	100	1
SOC-9	Response to Social Sensitivity	0	50	100	50	100	2
	Standards, Laws and Regulations						
SOC-10	Standards, Laws and Regulations	50	50	100	50	100	3
	Additional Indicators						
SOC-11							
SOC-12	ESCNONIO ACRECE						
	ECONOMIC ASPECT	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Option 5	Weight
	Economic Performance						
ECON-1	T	60	60	45	90	90	3
ECON-T		60	80	40	<b>.</b> 90		
	Initial Capital Cost Moderation		60			0.0	
ECON-2	Low Annual Operation, Maintenance, Monitoring Costs	80	60	60	80	80	3
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## **Canadian National - Golder Tool Output**



#### SUSTAINABLE PERFORMANCE OF OPTIONS

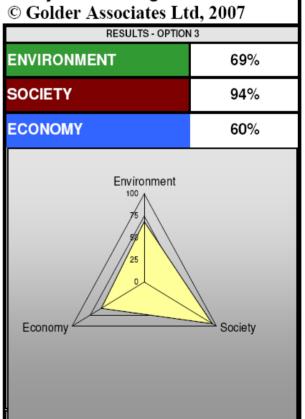
A score higher than 50% indicates a net positive impact, below 50% a net negative impact. The largest triangle represents the most sustainable option, particularly if the triangle

is equilateral.

ENVIRONMENT	47%
SOCIETY	50%
ECONOMY	55%
Environment 100 75 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90	Society

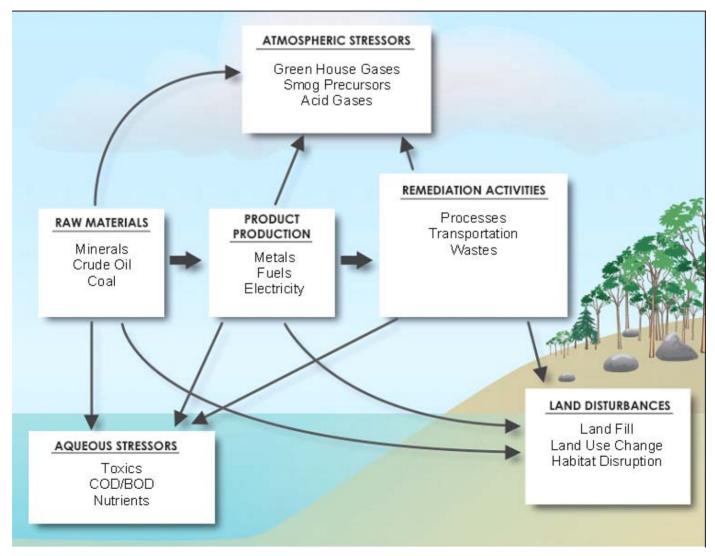
**RESULTS - OPTION 1** 

RESULTS - OPTION	2
ENVIRONMENT	51%
SOCIETY	63%
ECONOMY	55%
Environment	Society



# Life Cycle Approach

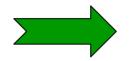




# **Variable Metrics, Impacts**



Different sites have different key sustainability parameters



**Metrics vary by site** 

Remedial Approach has different effects on different sustainability parameter

# Simplify, Simplify



SITE KNOWLEDGE

**QUALITATIVE SCREENING** 

SHORT LIST OF TECHNOLOGIES

**SCOPE OUT TASKS** 

**DETAILED SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT OF UNIQUE TASKS** 

**RELATIVE ANALYSIS** 

CONTAMINANT REMOVAL/CO<sub>2</sub> GENERATED

## **Concurrent Activities**



- EPA (HQ) Green Remediation document
  - http://clu-in.org/greenremediation/
- Cal EPA (DTSC) Green Remediation Team
  - http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/OMF/Grn\_Remediation.cfm
- AFCEE Sustainable Remediation Tool Development
  - http://www.itrcweb.org/guidancedocument.asp?TID=42
- ITRC (Remediation Risk Management Green, Sustainable Remediation)
- EPA (Region 3 + HQ) Certification proposal
- DuPont/URS
- Shell UK CBA
- Nicole
- Consultant one-offs

# **Future Directions/New Work**



- SERDP/ESTCP Statement of Need
- Retrospective studies/ comparison with predictive studies
- Sensitivity analyses, scale issues
- Develop rules of thumb

# **Questions to Consider**



- What metrics are appropriate for your site? For any site?
- What are the boundaries spatial and temporal of a remediation?
- Should sustainability be a balancing criterion?
- How will you identify and engage stakeholders?



# **Carbon Dioxide Equivalents**



	S/S in situ	S/S	Incineration	Incineration
	+ GW	on site	on site	off site
Preconstruction activities	141	141	141	141
Soil Management	8020	18,094	7169	8791
		S+S	S+S	S+S
Sludge Management	1800			
Incineration			84,648	91,080
O&M activities	59			
Total (tons CO <sub>2</sub> )	9,953	18,235	98,932	107,090
Contaminant Removal (lbs)				
Ton Contaminant/Ton CO <sub>2</sub>	10.4	32.4	5.9	5.5

# A Sustainable Approach to Sustainability?



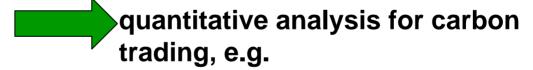
- Keep Goal in mind better remedial solution
- Screen key sustainability parameters will vary by site and remediation technology

use for decision-making in remedy selection,

holistic design of remedies



Tailor Detailed Assessment to end needs



- A Detailed Assessment Implies Verification
- Must Consider contaminant destroyed/ CO<sub>2</sub> generated if looking at CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents